James Rogers – Eastham Land Records 1650 - 1745

James Rogers was the son of James Rogers who died in 1678 and his wife Mary Paine. James the son was born in 1673 and named Samuel. Samuel was baptized James in 1680 named after his father. (PDF A26.) James probably is buried in an unmarked grave in Orleans Cemetery or possibly in the Rogers Family Cemetery. (If you have additional information about James Rogers appropriate for this introduction, please contact the Eastham Library).

1694

This record describes the land inherited by Joseph's sons James, John and Thomas and their heirs with Mark Snow overseeing the children of the late Thomas Rogers and Thomas Paine overseeing the children of the late James Rogers. James the son of the late James Rogers would have been age twenty-one. Joseph's land at Barley Neck was to be divided into three equal shares. Also divided into three equal shares were Joseph's lands at Little Billingsgate, Satucket and Potanumaquit. The size of these land holdings was not included in the record. PDF A222, M27, M28.

1696

Granted to John Rogers at Little Billingsgate six acres of meadow and two acres of upland lawfully possessed by James Rogers. (James may not have been happy about this land transfer to his uncle John.) The eight acres were on the north side of the Herring River near the mouth of the river. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF A257, M259.

1698

James Rogers requested to the Town to have a way laid out from his land at Barley Neck across the east end of the lot of John Rogers. The Selectmen agreed and laid out the way with bounds marked by stones. The way started forty feet wide at James' property and narrowed to thirty feet wide crossing John's property. PDF A220, M25.

1699

This record concerns a boundary dispute at Pochet Neck between James and John Rogers. Chosen to resolve the dispute were John Gorham of Barnstable and William Bassett of Sandwich. PDF A262, S67.

This record concerned the agreement about the dispute at Pochet Neck between James and John Rogers. There was assurance that John Rogers and heirs would forever allow James Rogers and heirs to use the way crossing John's land. James would pay John forty shillings as part of the agreement. PDF A263, M131.

This is another record about the James and John boundary dispute. Both sides seem to have affirmed they would abide by the agreement. PDF M286.

1703

Granted to James Rogers and his heirs a parcel of meadow at Pochet Flats or Low Meadow between Hog Island and Pochet Island. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about four acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A272, M150, M151.

Granted to James Rogers and John Sparrow and their heirs a parcel of meadow at Pochet High Meadow. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about four acres. Bounds were indicated by stakes. PDF A275, M157, M158, S89.

Granted to James Rogers and his heirs a parcel of meadow at Pochet High Meadow by the beach. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about four and one-half acres. PDF A277.

1711

Granted to James Rogers and his heirs a wood lot containing about six acres on Lieutenant's Island next to the lot of John Collins. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T24.

Granted to James Rogers and his heirs about four acres at Sparrow's Neck on the northern side of the neck. Bounds were indicated by stones in the ground. PDF T32.

Granted to James Rogers and his heirs about four acres at Rock Harbor Neck next to land of Richard Sparrow. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. PDF T32.

Granted to James Rogers and his heirs three parcels of land. One parcel was on Sampson's Island. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about two acres. Bounds were indicated by stones. Another parcel was in the Rock Harbor/Cedar Swamp area next to land of Jeremiah Smith and John Knowles. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about seven acres. Bounds were indicated by marked trees. Another parcel was next to land of Jonathan Higgins Jr. and John Paine Sr. The dimensions indicate the parcel was about four acres. Bounds were indicated by stones. The location of this parcel was not given. PDF T217.

Granted to James Rogers and his heirs a wood lot at the head of Herring Pond at Billingsgate near the Eastham/Truro border and next to the wood lot of Jonathan Linnell. The dimensions indicate the wood lot was about fifteen acres. PDF T301.

The land owned by James Rogers and his heirs described in these records amounts to about sixty acres. By 1745 ten more Rogers including his father had received Eastham land grants.